Corps Explorer



On the Road Again with Corps II

Jeff Olson, Public Information Officer

St. Charles, MO – Clean up crews in the Riverfront Park here were busy picking up trash bins, storing portable grand stands and taking down tents in the aftermath of the 10-day Signature Event, "St. Charles: Preparations Complete, the Expedition Faces West."

The crew from Corps of Discovery II: 200 Years to the Future was also busy, for the 36th time, packing Corps II for the short trip to Jefferson City. The extended Lewis and Clark family assembles again in the Kansas City area over the Fourth of July weekend for the signature event, "Heart of America: A Journey Fourth."

"Before we get to Kansas City – and by the way, Corps II will be set up from June 26 through July 4 on Kaw Point which is on the Kansas side of Kansas City – we will be in Jefferson City, Boonville and Fort Osage, all in Missouri," said Gerard Baker, Superintendent of the Lewis and Clark National Historic Trail and Corps of Discovery II.

Corps of Discovery II opened in January 2003 at President Thomas

Jefferson's Monticello. The 2004 part of the four-year tour opened in St. Louis in early March. "We're on the road, getting great crowds and bringing the Lewis and Clark Bicentennial to America," Baker said.



The first Signature Event of 2004 was March 10-14 in St. Louis. The highlight came on Sunday March 14 under the Arch on the St. Louis waterfront. About 5,000 people sat in bright sunshine during closing ceremonies that featured representatives from Spain, France and the Interior Department.

"In less than three months back on the trail, Corps II rangers have recorded more than 85,000 visitors. That's quite a start to add to the estimated 150,000 people that took part in activities at Corps II in 2003" Baker said. "We are looking forward now to proceeding on up the Missouri River much as Lewis and Clark did 200 years ago. During the Bicentennial we invite people to





'get off the boat' and view the expedition from the riverbank as American Indians did 200 years ago. This time we want people to have a two-way experience in discovering cultures and landscapes."

Corps II will be in about 25 communities this year, "our busiest year with signature events during the Bicentennial," Baker said, noting signature events in St. Louis, Hartford, St. Charles, Kansas City, Omaha, Chamberlain and Oacoma, and Bismarck-Mandan.

People in the West may be anxious to see Corps II arrive. "It's rained



(or snowed) at every single Corps II venue," said Megan Kirst, an audiovisual technician for Legacy Transportation, the contractor that moves the Corps II exhibit from community to community. "We have been following the weather reports for more than a year and hope our luck will bring water to drought-stricken parts of the country."

Change was an everyday event

Our phone numbers will remain the same.

Until Steve arrives, our Administrative Officer Betty Boyko is the acting superintendent and we are proceeding on ...

Some of the many displays assembled with the Corps of Discovery II traveling exhibit are pictured on this page.



for Lewis and Clark and there are changes at the Omaha office of the Lewis and Clark National Historic Trail. After four years as its superintendent, Gerard Baker has moved on to Mount Rushmore in South Dakota. Steve Adams is the new superintendent for the Lewis and Clark Trail and will be in Omaha by mid-July at our new quarters on Omaha's burgeoning riverfront. Lewis & Clark NHT will move for the 3rd time in 6 years. Our new address will be: Lewis & Clark National Historic Trail, 601 Riverfront Drive, Omaha, Nebraska, 68102.



The Discovery Corps of St. Charles observes the ceremonies.

All Aboard with Amtrak

Volunteers are "All Aboard with Amtrak" to tell the story of Lewis and Clark

by Laurie Heupel, Interpretive Specialist

On June 2, 2004, the first Trails and Rails Volunteers for the Lewis

train from Shelby, Montana to Minot on Tuesday and Wednesday and present programs. There will also be some special presentations from living history interpreters during the summer months.

The National Historic Trail also partners with Knife River National Historic Site, Fort Union National His-



and Clark NHT boarded the Empire Builder train bound for Minot, North Dakota to tell the story of the trail and expedition.

The Lewis and Clark NHT has been involved in coordinating volunteers on seven Amtrak trains to tell the Lewis and Clark story to passengers. This is a joint program of Amtrak, the National Historic Trail, and the Lewis and Clark Trail Heritage Foundation.

For the next three months, ten volunteers who live in the Great Falls, Montana area will travel the toric Site and Klondike Gold Rush National Historic Site (Seattle unit) during this summer. The programs about Lewis and Clark and the National Park Service run seven days a week on the trains.

This is an exciting series. Last year the groups talked to over 100,000 rail passengers about Lewis and Clark, generating further interest in the bicentennial events that will be going on for the next several years.

Signs for Montana

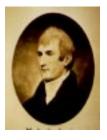
Lewis and Clark Bicentennial Commission of Livingston, Montana Installs Signs

In May 2004, the Livingston, Montana Lewis and Clark Commission met to install six new signs in the Park County area about the story of the expedition. The signs are located throughout the city and county.

The wayside exhibits include a panel on Sacajawea and her role in the journey, a panel highlighting the expedition's attempts to find cottonwoods to build canoes, and a panel recounting how they came over Bozeman Pass with Sacajawea's assistance.

The Livingston folks did an outstanding job on their signs. The signs are both colorful and highly informative. Visitors to the Livingston area should stop at the Chamber of Commerce to find the locations of these new signs.





The Nickel Journeys West

During the Three Flags ceremony at the Gateway Arch in St. Louis, Missouri, where the transfer of land called the Louisiana Purchase was recreated on March 14th of this year, the U.S. Mint unveiled a new nickel commemorating the Lewis and Clark Expedition. The first in the Westward Journey nickel series features the traditional bust of Thomas Jefferson on the obverse and a reproduction of the Peace Medal with crossed pipe and tomahawk with clasped hands on the reverse. This is the first time in 66 years that the nickel has been changed. The Mint will distribute the peace medal nickel for 6 months. The second of the series features the keelboat on the reverse and will debut later this year. During the Lewis and Clark Bicentennial 2004–2006 the nickel will present images that evoke iconic elements of the historic voyage of discovery initiated by Thomas Jefferson.







Lewis and Clark Commemorative Stamps

On May 14th, 2004, the bicentennial anniversary of the launching of the Corps of Discovery, the U.S. Postal Service issued three 37-cent stamps commemorating the joint command of Lewis and Clark and their mission of exploring the lands west of the Mississippi. Eleven sites along the Lewis

and Clark Trail hosted the official first day of issue ceremonies. One stamp features an antique style image of the two explorers on a promontory surveying the countryside and two additional stamps feature individual portraits of Lewis and Clark painted by Michael J. Deas in a style similar to early 19th century portraits. Ten each of these stamp portraits are included in a special 32-page prestige booklet entitled "Lewis & Clark: The Corps of Discovery, 1804-1806". The booklet contains informative text written by Ron Fisher, historic illustrations and scenic photographs. Patrick R. Donahoe, Chief Operating Officer and Executive Vice President of the U.S. Postal Service dedicated the stamps at Hartford, Illinois, the point of departure for the Corps of Discovery.



Sites along the Lewis and Clark National Historic Trail which held ceremonies were: Camp River Dubois at Hartford, Illinois; The Lewis and Clark Monument at St. Charles, Missouri; Atchison Riverfront Park in Atchison, Kansas; Lewis and Clark Landing in Omaha, Nebraska; Southern Hills Mall in Sioux City, Iowa; the South Dakota Capitol Building rotunda in Pierre, South Dakota; Fort Mandan in Washburn, North Dakota; Lewis and Clark National Historic Trail Interpretive Center in Great Falls, Montana; Pink House Recreation Site in Orofino, Idaho; Fort Clatsop Na-



tional Memorial in Astoria, Oregon and the Lewis and Clark Interpretive Center in Ilwaco, Washington.

News Along the Trail

Site Certification

College of American Physicians Museum becomes an affiliated Lewis and Clark site on the Eastern Legacy of the expedition.

On March 25, 2004, Lewis and Clark staff members Laurie Heupel and Karla Sigala were in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania to present the staff of the College of American Physicians Museum with their triangle certifying them as an affiliated site of the Lewis and Clark NHT.



The site received certification for their excellent educational display on the medicine of the expedition. Medical equipment of the period is displayed, showing the treatments that would have been used by Meriwether Lewis for injuries and

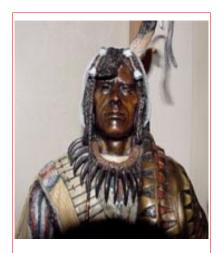
illnesses that occurred during the expedition.

The display features a full size grizzly bear to give the visitor an idea of what the men encountered on the journey, and the injuries that the bear could have inflicted on the expedition members.

Congratulations to the College of American Physicians Museum for a job well done. Visit the Museum in Philadelphia at 19 22nd Street.

New Lewis and Clark Artifact Found

Peabody Museum of Archaeology and Ethnology Director William Fash announced in January that a rare Native American bear-claw necklace acquired by Meriwether Lewis and William Clark during their epic exploration of the American West, 1804 - 1806, was discovered in a storage room at the Peabody Museum. One of only a half-dozen surviving American Indian objects that can be positively attributed to Lewis and Clark, the necklace has been missing since it was first cataloged in 1899. The necklace, probably given to the explorers by a chief, was discovered during a storage inventory on December 17, 2003. It consists of thirty-eight bear claws, each approximately 3 inches long, attached with rawhide thongs to a fur foundation - possibly weasel. The claws were originally covered with a red pigment, now worn away. It went on display May 13th of this year in Peabody's "From Nation to Nation: Examining Lewis and Clark's Indian Collection" exhibit. The exhibit features extant artifacts from the Lewis and Clark expedition and represents years of new research on the objects accompanied by a study of the complete collection by curator Castle McLaughlin entitled Arts of Diplomacy: Lewis and Clark's Indian Collection." For views of the artifacts and more information about the collection, visit their website at www.peabody.harvard.edu/Lewis_and_Clark.



"Two Ravens" Hidatsa warrior, bronze sculpture by Michael Westergard, displayed in the Bergquist Gallery of the Lewis & Clark Interpretive Center, Washburn, North Dakota. Photo courtesy of David Borlaug.

"Bear claw necklaces, which relate to the bravery and stature of warriors, were treasured by Indian people."-Gaylord Torrence, curator of Native American art, Nelson Atkins Museum of Art, Kansas City.

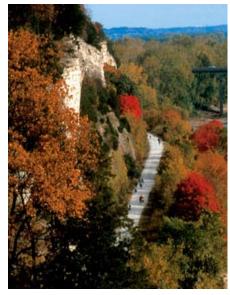
Katy Trail State Park Offers a Unique Experience

by Sue Holst, Missouri Department of Natural Resources

There are numerous ways for people to participate in the Lewis and Clark experience, but Missouri offers a unique way – Katy Trail State Park.

Katy Trail, operated by the Missouri Department of Natural Resources as a state park, contains the longest non-motorized section of the Lewis and Clark NHT. Built on a former railroad corridor, much of the 225mile trail follows the Missouri River through some of the most scenic areas of the state. In many areas the trail travels between towering bluffs on one side and the Missouri River on the other side. Its fairly level grade and compacted limestone surface make it popular with walkers and bicyclists of all skill levels and abilities.

The Missouri River has changed in many ways since 1804, but it's easy to imagine a keelboat and pirogues struggling against the strong river currents when you are walking along its banks. To enhance the experience, the department has placed interpretive markers at strategic points along the Katy Trail which



relate information about what the members of the Lewis and Clark Expedition saw as they traveled the river and what visitors can see today. Journal entries describe the scenic quality of this area of Missouri with quotes such as "This is a very handsome place - a rich soil and pleasant country." Today's visitors to the Trail can see some of the features noted in the Journals: the Big Manitou Bluffs near present-day Rocheport; a distinctive hole in a rock called Roche Percee Natural Arch; several creeks such as Femme Osage and Bonne Femme; and

the location of La Charette, the westernmost Euro-American settlement the expedition encountered near today's Marthasville.

The Katy Trail travels through many small communities with a rich history related to the river and railroad. Information about them can be found on kiosks at trailheads within the park. During June 21 – 25 this year the Park will be hosting Geared up for Lewis and Clark, the 225-mile Katy Trail Ride 2004 for bicyclists. For more information about the Katy Trail State Park, contact the Missouri

Department of Natural Resources toll free at 800-334-6946 (voice) or 800-379-2419 (TDD) or visit their website at: www.katytrailstatepark.com.





Children's Artwork to be Displayed on Art Wall



Students in grades three through six in communities along the routes of the Lewis and Clark Expedition have submitted artwork depicting events during the Expedition which have been put up on display at the Lewis and Clark Children's Art Wall in Bellevue, Nebraska. Artwork selected was reproduced on weatherproof tiles for permanent display on a 65 foot long sculptural art wall in Bellevue's Haworth Park along the banks of the Missouri River. The arrangement will be geographical, from the eastern states to the west coast. Response by the children has been extraordinary and there is artwork from all 11 states represented. The results are like a series of colorful patchwork quilts of the Expedition seen

through children's eyes. This art wall is the southern "anchor" of a series of monumen-



tal public art pieces along the Missouri River from Bellevue to Fort Atkinson State Historical Park, a distance of almost forty river miles. The exhibits describe the 28-month Lewis and Clark expedition, including the time during July and August of 1804, when the Expedition traveled through the area surrounding present-day Bellevue.

Spirit Mound Bicentennial Commemoration

by George Berndt, Park Ranger

August 25th, 2004 marks the 200th anniversary of

Lewis and Clark's visit to Canotina Wiconi Paha (Mountain of Little People), otherwise known as Spirit Mound. It is one of the few locations along the Corps of Discovery's route where one can stand precisely on the same spot where they stood two cen-

turies earlier. Purchased by the State of South Dakota in 2001 with assistance from the National Park Service and the Spirit Mound trust, the site is now the Spirit Mound Historic Prairie, an area encompassing 320 acres.

To commemorate this visit, Spirit Mound Historic Prairie will witness a variety of events and programs on Wednesday, August 25. The public is invited to participate in activities such as morning and evening bird/plant hikes and a walk to the summit with Lewis and Clark re-enactors at

mid-day. In addition, visitors will have the opportunity to listen to specialists discuss the geology, mammals and birds of Spirit Mound, Lewis and Clark's visit to the site, and its history. Although the Spirit Mound Historic Prairie is part of the South Dakota state park system, the site will be open to the public free of charge. For relative ease of access, a new ¾ mile hiking trail leads from the parking lot to the summit. Several interpretive waysides tell

different aspects of the Spirit



Mound story, from the geology of the place to the Yankton Sioux understanding of Canotina Wiconi Paha to prairie restoration efforts.

For more information about the August 25th event please contact Jody Moats at (605) 232-0873 or jody.moats@state.sd.us. An update of the day's activities can also be found at the Missouri National Recreational River website: www.nps.gov/mnrr.

Move Over Bia-Dekape!

This year the Museum of Idaho's permanent resident Columbian Mammoth.



Bia-Dekape, moved out of the way of the spectacular 10,000 square feet of exhibits commemorating the 2004 bicentennial of the Lewis and Clark expedition. Presented by Bechtel, it has opened as one of the largest displays in the nation filled with artifacts, documents, portraits, maps, animals and plants from the Corps of Disovery expedition. "Discovering Idaho: The World of Lewis & Clark" includes a Shoshone Indian village, recreated from Journal entries; a bronze statue of Sacagawea and baby Jean

Baptiste created by Glenna Goodacre; examples of boats used in the expedition; and over three hundred artifacts from the period, most borrowed from Peyton "Bud" Clark, the great, great, great grandson of explorer William Clark. Animals encountered by

Lewis and Clark are found throughout the museum along with life-size sculptures by Bernie Jestrabek-Hart

and original artwork by Roy Reynolds. In the Carnegie Library section are pressed plants from the expedition, along with their Journal descriptions. Also on display are copies of the original maps and a replica of Meriwether Lewis's traveling desk, loaned by Idaho U.S. Senator Larry Craig. Upstairs is the traveling exhibit "Discovering the Rivers of Lewis and Clark" which is presented by the American Rivers. Explore the rich river life Lewis and Clark encountered during their exploration, climb into the prow of a keelboat, watch video clips from the History Channel, or navigate the interactive content of two computers and three audio stations. This display will only be at the museum until June 23, 2004 and then it moves on to the Lewis and Clark State College in Lewiston, Idaho. For more information about the Museum of Idaho and the exhibition, visit their website at www.museumofidaho.org.



Photos courtesy of the Museum of Idaho. Photographers Rex Burch and Linda Lewis. Poster by artist Roy Reynolds.



"Sacagawea and Pompey" bronze by sculptor Glenna Goodacre, photo by Linda Lewis.

Educational Corner

Websites for Educators

www.lewisandclarkphila.org
In Issue 26 of the Corps Explorer
there was a typo on the Philadelphia Chapter of the Lewis and

Clark Trail Heritage
Foundation's website – it should be
www.lewisandclarkphila.org.
When you visit this website
you will find information
about the Chapter, its members, meetings and activities.
This is the main website of the
Eastern Legacy portion of the
Trail and has some special
features of interest to teachers. Their Especially for Educators section contains links

to large educational websites with curriculum guides or activities for

children, a recommended booklist for children, special projects presented by children, and workshop schedules. The More About Lewis and Clark section offers daily updated news articles about Lewis and Clark, websites of special interest along the Trail and Philadelphia (many with virtual tours of exhibits and museums), links to Documents relating to the Expedition, a selective reading list, a special page devoted to children and links to historical maps. Philadelphia will host the traveling National Exhibition in November of this year. They already have a link to the curriculum guide associated with that exhibit.

www.pbs.org/lewisandclark

For an in-depth view of the Lewis and Clark Expedition with interactive trail maps, RealAudio interviews with trail experts, links to the Journals, a timeline, meet the natives section, website list and bibliography check out www.pbs.org/lewisandclark. In the Classroom Resources section you will find a series of multidisciplinary lesson plans and activities, including state standards. Have your class play the online game of "Into the Unknown". For a complete list of supplies and biographical sketches of the personnel going on the Expedition, go into the Inside the **Corps** section.

www.lewis-clark.org

For a visual treat, visit **Discovering Lewis and Clark** at www.lewis-clark.org, a developing website featuring a multimedia presentation of all phases of the Expedition. Graphics, photos and animation of details combine in Trail maps, period maps,

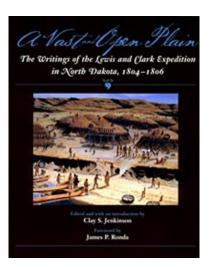
trail sites, mechanical details of Corps weapons, journal entries, interviews and daily life of the personnel of the Corps of Discovery. Make sure to check out the New in 2004 section as articles are added every month.

www.nps.gov/nepe/ Education/ Education Intro.htm

Nez Perce National Historical Park would like to share some unique opportunities with you this year. It has created a website especially for educators. On it you will find all the information you need to plan a trip to the park and create lesson plans based on park themes. A **Reservation Calendar** keeps track of available times and dates, park orientation is available through Planning Your **Trip** and a teacher's guide "And It Is Still That Way" is available online. Fourth grade program summaries and curriculum links are listed. As new programs are created, they will be added. Learn to pitch a tipi, the importance of memory, skills for the seasons and a child's life among the Nez Perce.



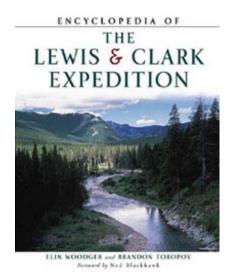
Hot Off the Press



A Vast and Open Plain: The Writings of the Lewis and Clark Expedition in North Dakota, 1804-1806.

edited by North Dakota native Clay Jenkinson and published by the State Historical Society of North Dakota.

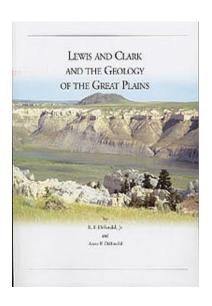
Presented in chronological order are the writings of Lewis, Clark, Ordway, Gass and Whitehouse during the 215 days the Corps of Discovery spent in North Dakota. This 648-page book has beautiful color and black-and-white images, including 10 original maps showing the locations of each campsite during its outgoing and return trips. It brings alive the people, activities, culture and landscape along the Upper Missouri River as told from different perspectives.



Encyclopedia of the Lewis and Clark Expedition.

by Elin Woodger and Brandon Toropov.

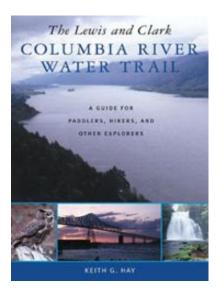
From the preparatory work done by Thomas Jefferson to the return of the Discovery Corps in 1806, this encyclopedia provides a comprehensive reference to the people, places, ideas, flora, fauna and tools involved in the Expedition. There are 350 entries which relate hundreds of details involved in the Expedition from its concept to its aftermath. Entries are all cross-referenced. An extensive chronology of events with mileage markers and reading lists, route and contour maps, information about the tribes encountered, biographies of the people involved, illustrations, photos and a large general bibliography provide the reader with a concise, well written and easily readable resource concerning an important event in American History.



Lewis and Clark and the Geology of the Great Plains.

by R.F. Diffendal, Jr. and Anne P. Diffendal.

A primary part of the mission of the Lewis and Clark Expedition was to describe the Missouri River and its environment, which they did. This book provides a discussion of the geology of the Great Plains as modern science now understands it. The Diffendals have followed the geologic trail of Lewis and Clark from southeastern Nebraska to the Yellowstone River in Montana and provided the traveler with sites that were described by them. Color photographs of the sites are accompanied by appropriate Journal entries and modern geologic explanations. The traveler can follow the trail without intruding on private land. There is also a companion book -Lewis and Clark and the Geology of Nebraska and Adjacent States, which specifically deals with the Nebraska, Iowa and South Dakota sections of the Lewis & Clark NHT.



The Lewis and Clark Columbia River Water Trail: A Guide for Paddlers, Hikers and Other Explorers by Keith G. Hay.

If you want a reliable guide to the 146-mile stretch of the Lower Columbia River from Bonneville Dam to the Pacific Ocean, this is it. For the modern-day adventurous explorer who wants to re-trace the only remaining free-flowing section of the Columbia river explored by the Lewis and Clark expedition there are many options. Here are 18 detailed maps (which also include all known Lewis and Clark campsites and routes), launch sites, camping areas, suggested trips, flora and fauna, hike and bike trails, trail etiquette and up to date tips on river safety and boat rental. It also features historical, cultural and ecological highlights of over 260 sites that provide opportunities to view some of the unique landscapes seen by the Corps of Discovery.

Challenge Cost Program for 2004

There were 188 Applications requesting a total of \$15,313,082 this year. Lewis & Clark NHT awarded 122 Proposals at \$4,659,250. The original requests for the 122 projects totalled \$9,727,558 and have a partner leverage of \$19,326,016. We identified 53 proposals that were American Indian affliated and were able to fund 27 of those at \$1,577,000. The original requests for the 27 projects amounted to \$5,388,842 and the partner leverage is \$5,065,468.

State by State	Number of Proposals Fund	ed CCS Funding for Proposals
North Carolina	o out of I	
Pennsylvania	o out of I	
Ohio	o out of 1	
Wisconsin	o out of 1	
Virginia	o out of 3	
District of Columbia	ı out of ı	\$ 15,000 with \$ 21,250 in Partner leverage
Kentucky	ı out of ı	\$ 10,000 with \$ 15,000 in Partner leverage
Indiana	I out of 2	\$ 30,000 with \$ 259,000 in Partner leverage
Illinois	3 out of 4	\$ 47,000 with \$ 137,902 in Partner leverage
Kansas	3 out of 5	\$200,000 with \$574,480 in Partner leverage
Missouri	12 out of 23	\$736,000 with \$3,107,028 in Partner leverage
Iowa	8 out of 8	\$ 178,000 with \$1,335,745 in Partner leverage
Nebraska	16 out of 20	\$761,250 with \$3,109,959 in Partner leverage
South Dakota	7 out of 13	\$202,000 with \$ 761,466 in Partner leverage
North Dakota	7 out of 15	\$823,000 with \$2,508,613 in Partner leverage
Montana	31 out of 41	\$941,500 with \$4,986,322 in Partner leverage
Idaho	10 out of 13	\$133,750 with \$751,656 in Partner leverage
Oregon	16 out of 21	\$400,000 with \$1,777,772 in Partner leverage
Washington	8 out of 11	\$181,750 with \$ 679,562 in Partner leverage

Lewis and Clark NHT annticipates that the Challenge Cost Share Program will continue in 2005. The special announcment for the Program will be made on October 1, 2004. If you are interested in applying or would like more information please contact Midori Raymore at Lewis & Clark NHT, 601 Riverfront Drive, Omaha, Nebraska 68102 or by email at midori_raymore@nps.gov or by phone at 402-661-1804 or 1826 or toll free at 1-888-237-3252.



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